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RELEASE AND SUSTAINED RELEASE COMPONENTS AND
METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2000 (Paper No. 2), please amend the claims of the application as follows:

1. (Amended) An implant composition comprising:

(a) a first component comprising a biologically active composition contained in a first delivery vehicle capable of immediately releasing said biologically active composition upon implantation in an animal body and which is selected from the group consisting of encapsulants where the coating wall material is highly soluble in body fluids, porous or freeze-dried solid compositions, solid tablets or pellets containing a disintegrating agent which causes the solid tablet or pellet to rapidly break down when in body fluids, solid tablets or pellets containing said biologically active material in fine or micronized particle sizes, an osmotic delivery system where the osmotic system is such that a substantial amount of the active is released upon implantation and mixtures thereof; and